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1 [GPGPU: general purpose computation on graphics hardware](#)



David Luebke, Mark Harris, Jens Krüger, Tim Purcell, Naga Govindaraju, Ian Buck, Cliff Woolley, Aaron Lefohn

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The graphics processor (GPU) on today's commodity video cards has evolved into an extremely powerful and flexible processor. The latest graphics architectures provide tremendous memory bandwidth and computational horsepower, with fully programmable vertex and pixel processing units that support vector operations up to full IEEE floating point precision. High level languages have emerged for graphics hardware, making this computational power accessible. Architecturally, GPUs are highly parallel s ...

2 [The implications of cache affinity on processor scheduling for multiprogrammed, shared memory multiprocessors](#)



Raj Vaswani, John Zahorjan

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In a shared memory multiprocessor with caches, executing tasks develop "affinity" to processors by filling their caches with data and instructions during execution. A scheduling policy that ignores this affinity may waste processing power by causing excessive cache refilling. Our work focuses on quantifying the effect of processor reallocation on the performance of various parallel applications multiprogrammed on a shared memory multiprocessor, and on evaluating how the magnitude of this cost aff ...

3 [Computing curricula 2001](#)


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4 Cache Memories



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5 A dynamic processor allocation policy for multiprogrammed shared-memory multiprocessors



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We propose and evaluate empirically the performance of a dynamic processor-scheduling policy for multiprogrammed shared-memory multiprocessors. The policy is dynamic in that it reallocates processors from one parallel job to another based on the currently realized parallelism of those jobs. The policy is suitable for implementation in production systems in that: —It interacts well with very efficient user-level thread packages, leaving to them many low-level thr ...

Keywords: shared memory parallel processors, threads, two-level scheduling

6 External memory algorithms and data structures: dealing with massive data



Jeffrey Scott Vitter

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Data sets in large applications are often too massive to fit completely inside the computers internal memory. The resulting input/output communication (or I/O) between fast internal memory and slower external memory (such as disks) can be a major performance bottleneck. In this article we survey the state of the art in the design and analysis of external memory (or EM) algorithms and data structures, where the goal is to exploit locality in order to reduce the I/O costs. We consider a varie ...

Keywords: B-tree, I/O, batched, block, disk, dynamic, extendible hashing, external memory, hierarchical memory, multidimensional access methods, multilevel memory, online, out-of-core, secondary storage, sorting

7 The priority-based coloring approach to register allocation



Fred C. Chow, John L. Hennessy

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Global register allocation plays a major role in determining the efficacy of an optimizing compiler. Graph coloring has been used as the central paradigm for register allocation in modern compilers. A straightforward coloring approach can suffer from several

shortcomings. These shortcomings are addressed in this paper by coloring the graph using a priority ordering. A natural method for dealing with the spilling emerges from this approach. The detailed algorithms for a priority-based colori ...

8 Real-time shading

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Real-time procedural shading was once seen as a distant dream. When the first version of this course was offered four years ago, real-time shading was possible, but only with one-of-a-kind hardware or by combining the effects of tens to hundreds of rendering passes. Today, almost every new computer comes with graphics hardware capable of interactively executing shaders of thousands to tens of thousands of instructions. This course has been redesigned to address today's real-time shading capabili ...

9 Level set and PDE methods for computer graphics

 David Breen, Ron Fedkiw, Ken Museth, Stanley Osher, Guillermo Sapiro, Ross Whitaker

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Level set methods, an important class of partial differential equation (PDE) methods, define dynamic surfaces implicitly as the level set (iso-surface) of a sampled, evolving nD function. The course begins with preparatory material that introduces the concept of using partial differential equations to solve problems in computer graphics, geometric modeling and computer vision. This will include the structure and behavior of several different types of differential equations, e.g. the level set eq ...

10 A parallel, incremental, mostly concurrent garbage collector for servers

 Katherine Barabash, Ori Ben-Yitzhak, Irit Gof, Elliot K. Kolodner, Victor Leikehman, Yoav Ossia, Avi Owshanko, Erez Petrank

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Multithreaded applications with multigigabyte heaps running on modern servers provide new challenges for garbage collection (GC). The challenges for "server-oriented" GC include: ensuring short pause times on a multigigabyte heap while minimizing throughput penalty, good scaling on multiprocessor hardware, and keeping the number of expensive multicycle fence instructions required by weak ordering to a minimum. We designed and implemented a collector facing these demands building on th ...

Keywords: Garbage collection, JVM, concurrent garbage collection

11 Scheduler activations: effective kernel support for the user-level management of parallelism

 Thomas E. Anderson, Brian N. Bershad, Edward D. Lazowska, Henry M. Levy

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Threads are the vehicle for concurrency in many approaches to parallel programming. Threads can be supported either by the operating system kernel or by user-level library code in the application address space, but neither approach has been fully satisfactory. This paper addresses this dilemma. First, we argue that the performance of kernel threads is inherently worse than that of user-level threads, rather than this being an artifact of existing ...

Keywords: multiprocessor, thread**12** A simple interprocedural register allocation algorithm and its effectiveness for LISP

Peter A. Steenkiste, John L. Hennessy

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Register allocation is an important optimization in many compilers, but with per-procedure register allocation, it is often not possible to make good use of a large register set. Procedure calls limit the improvement from global register allocation, since they force variables allocated to registers to be saved and restored. This limitation is more pronounced in LISP programs due to the higher frequency of procedure calls. An interprocedural register allocation algorithm is developed by simp ...

13 Streamlining data cache access with fast address calculation

Todd M. Austin, Dionisios N. Pnevmatikatos, Gurindar S. Sohi

May 1995 **ACM SIGARCH Computer Architecture News , Proceedings of the 22nd annual international symposium on Computer architecture ISCA '95**, Volume 23 Issue 2**Publisher:** ACM PressFull text available:  pdf(1.58 MB)Additional Information: [full citation](#), [abstract](#), [references](#), [citations](#), [index terms](#)

For many programs, especially integer codes, untolerated load instruction latencies account for a significant portion of total execution time. In this paper, we present the design and evaluation of a fast address generation mechanism capable of eliminating the delays caused by effective address calculation for many loads and stores. Our approach works by predicting early in the pipeline (part of) the effective address of a memory access and using this predicted address to speculatively access the ...

14 Query evaluation techniques for large databases

Goetz Graefe

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Database management systems will continue to manage large data volumes. Thus, efficient algorithms for accessing and manipulating large sets and sequences will be required to provide acceptable performance. The advent of object-oriented and extensible database systems will not solve this problem. On the contrary, modern data models exacerbate the problem: In order to manipulate large sets of complex objects as efficiently as today's database systems manipulate simple records, query-processi ...

Keywords: complex query evaluation plans, dynamic query evaluation plans, extensible database systems, iterators, object-oriented database systems, operator model of parallelization, parallel algorithms, relational database systems, set-matching algorithms, sort-hash duality

15 Avoidance and suppression of compensation code in a trace scheduling compiler



Stefan M. Freudenberger, Thomas R. Gross, P. Geoffrey Lowney

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Trace scheduling is an optimization technique that selects a sequence of basic blocks as a trace and schedules the operations from the trace together. If an operation is moved across basic block boundaries, one or more compensation copies may be required in the off-trace code. This article discusses the generation of compensation code in a trace scheduling compiler and presents techniques for limiting the amount of compensation code: avoidance (restricting code motion so that no compensatio ...

Keywords: SPEC89, instruction-level parallelism, performance evaluation, trace scheduling

16 Scheduler activations: effective kernel support for the user-level management of parallelism



Thomas E. Anderson, Brian N. Bershad, Edward D. Lazowska, Henry M. Levy

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Threads are the vehicle for concurrency in many approaches to parallel programming. Threads separate the notion of a sequential execution stream from the other aspects of traditional UNIX-like processes, such as address spaces and I/O descriptors. The objective of this separation is to make the expression and control of parallelism sufficiently cheap that the programmer or compiler can exploit even fine-grained parallelism with acceptable overhead. Threads can be supported either by the op ...

17 Eliminating synchronization bottlenecks using adaptive replication



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This article presents a new technique, adaptive replication, for automatically eliminating synchronization bottlenecks in multithreaded programs that perform atomic operations on objects. Synchronization bottlenecks occur when multiple threads attempt to concurrently update the same object. It is often possible to eliminate synchronization bottlenecks by replicating objects. Each thread can then update its own local replica without synchronization and without interacting with other threads. When ...

Keywords: Atomic operations, commutativity analysis, parallel computing, parallelizing

compilers, replication, synchronization

18 4.2BSD and 4.3BSD as examples of the UNIX system

 John S. Quarterman, Abraham Silberschatz, James L. Peterson
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This paper presents an in-depth examination of the 4.2 Berkeley Software Distribution, Virtual VAX-11 Version (4.2BSD), which is a version of the UNIX Time-Sharing System. There are notes throughout on 4.3BSD, the forthcoming system from the University of California at Berkeley. We trace the historical development of the UNIX system from its conception in 1969 until today, and describe the design principles that have guided this development. We then present the internal data structures and ...

19 Empirical performance evaluation of concurrency and coherency control protocols for database sharing systems

 Erhard Rahm
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Database Sharing (DB-sharing) refers to a general approach for building a distributed high performance transaction system. The nodes of a DB-sharing system are locally coupled via a high-speed interconnect and share a common database at the disk level. This is also known as a "shared disk" approach. We compare database sharing with the database partitioning (shared nothing) approach and discuss the functional DBMS components that require new and coordinated solutions for DB-shar ...

Keywords: coherency control, concurrency control, database partitioning, database sharing, performance analysis, shared disk, shared nothing, trace-driven simulation

20 Idletime scheduling with preemption intervals

 Lars Eggert, Joseph D. Touch
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This paper presents the idletime scheduler; a generic, kernel-level mechanism for using idle resource capacity in the background without slowing down concurrent foreground use. Many operating systems fail to support transparent background use and concurrent foreground performance can decrease by 50% or more. The idletime scheduler minimizes this interference by partially relaxing the work conservation principle during *preemption intervals*, during which it serves no background requests eve ...

Keywords: background processing, disk scheduler, idletime scheduling, network scheduler, preemption interval, queuing, resource scheduler

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